## MINIMUM DATA SET (MDS) NATIONAL AUTOMATION PROJECT

### **VALIDATION REPORT MESSAGES AND DESCRIPTIONS**

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### Interpreting Initial Validation Report and Final Validation Report

The Initial Feedback Report and the Final Validation Report follow the same format. Each report begins with a header that displays general information. The Final Validation header is followed by a report detail section that describes each error encountered in any of the file records. The items on each line are tab delimited. The format of the validation reports are as follows:

#### **MDS Initial Feedback Report**

# CMS STATE REPORT MDS INITIAL FEEDBACK REPORT

[Report Date/Time] mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm:ss

[Submission Method] upload [Edit Specs. Version] 1.20

[Batch Status] XXXXXXXX

[Submission Date/Time] mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm:ss

[Facility ID] xxxxxxxxxxxxxx

[Facility Name] xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

[# Data Records Processed] 99999

#### **MDS Final Validation Report**

# CMS STATE REPORT MDS FINAL VALIDATION REPORT

[Report Date/Time] mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm:ss

[Edit Specs. Version] 1.20

[Batch Status] XXXXXXXX

[Submission Date/Time] mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm:ss

[Facility ID] xxxxxxxxxxxxxx

[Facility Name] xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

 [# Records Processed]
 99999

 [# Records Rejected]
 99999

 [# Duplicate Records]
 99999

 [# O\_OO Records]
 99999

 [# Records with Messages]
 99999

 [Total # of Messages]
 999999

Record: Header

[Field or MDS Items] xxxxxxxxxx

[Invalid Data Submitted] Submitted: xxxxxxxxx Database: xxxxxxxxxx

[Message Number] -99

Record: 9999 accepted or rejected

Res\_Int\_ID xxxxxxx SSN xxxxxxxxx

AA8a = xx AA8b = x Target Date xxxxxxxx Record Type = x Effective Date xxxxxxxx AT2 = xxxxxxx Attes Date xxxxxxxx

[Field or MDS Items] xxxxxxxxxx

[Invalid Data Submitted] Submitted: xxxxxxxxx Database: xxxxxxxxxx

[Message Number] -99

Record: Trailer

### **Record Type Definitions**

The following structured logic defines MDS 2.0 Record Types:

RECORD TYPE	DEFINITION MATRIX
1115	
А	WHERE (AA8a = 01) AND (AA8b = SPACE)
AM	WHERE (AA8a = 01) AND (AA8b = 1 OR 5 OR 7 OR 8)
AO	WHERE (AA8a = 01) AND (AA8b = 6)
Y	WHERE (AA8a = 02) AND (AA8b = SPACE)
YM	WHERE (AA8a = 02 OR 03 OR 04) AND (AA8b = SPACE)
YO	WHERE (AA8a = 02 OR 03 OR 04) AND (AA8b = 6)
Q	WHERE (AA8a = 05 OR 10) AND (AA8b = SPACE)
QM	WHERE (AA8a = 05 OR 10) AND (AA8b = 1 OR 2 OR 3 OR 4 OR 5 OR 7 OR 8)
QO	WHERE (AA8a = 05 or 10) AND (AA8b = 6)
0	WHERE (AA8a = 00) AND (AA8b = SPACE)
ОМ	WHERE (AA8a = 00) AND (AA8b = 1 OR 2 OR 3 OR 4 OR 5 OR 7 OR 8)
00	WHERE (AA8a = 00) AND (AA8b = 6)
D	WHERE (AA8a = 06 OR 07 OR 08) AND (AA8b = SPACE)
R	WHERE (AA8a = 09) AND (AA8b = SPACE)
X	WHERE (AT2 = 2)

Report Field	Description	Values
[Report Date/Time]	The date and time the report was generated by the MDS system.	Date and time to the nearest second
[Edit Specs. Version]	The data specifications version that the State MDS System is currently using.	Current Version Number
[Submission Method]	The application that was used to submit a facility's files into the MDS system. If the facility connects to the State agency to submit files, then the submission method would be "Upload."	"Upload"
[Batch Status]	Indication of whether the submitted batch was received successfully or rejected. While most records with errors are accepted and stored in the MDS database, any fatal errors encountered by the MDS system will result in the rejection of the entire batch of records. A list of fatal errors is provided following this table.	"Received" or "Rejected"
[Submission Date/Time]	The date and time the MDS submission was uploaded to the State server by the LTC facility.	Date and time to the nearest second.
[Submission Batch ID]	A unique identification number for this submission.	Integer
[Batch Submission Type]	Indication of whether this submission is a test or production submission.	"Test" or "Production"
[Facility ID]	A unique identifier for the facility that created the MDS records in the submission.	Alphanumeric
[Facility Name]	The name of the facility that created the MDS records in the submission.	Text
[# Records Processed]	Total number of records processed in this submission.	Integer (zero or greater)
[# Records Rejected]	Total number of records that were not loaded into the database because of errors in the record.	Integer (zero or greater)
[# Records Duplicated]	Total number of records that were not loaded into the database because they were duplicate records.	Integer (zero or greater)
[#O_OO Records]	Total number of records that were not loaded into the database because AA8a=00 and AA8b=6.	Integer (zero or greater)
[# Records with Messages]	The number of records that had errors but were loaded into the database.	Integer (zero or greater)
[Total # Messages]	Number of errors in all records in the submission.	Integer (zero or greater)
Record: XX	The record in the MDS file that the errors below are being reported for.	Header, Trailer, or a number (indicating the record number)
Assmt_Int_ID	The unique number assigned each assessment in the state database.	Integer
[SSN]	Social Security Number	XXX-XX-XXXX
Name	Last name, first name, and middle initial of the resident the assessment record refers to	Text
(Record Type)	The type of MDS data contained in the record (See page 4 for record type definition)	A, AM, Y, YM, Q, QM, D, R, O, OM, 00, X
(Effective Date)	The effective date of the record (R4 for a discharge record, A4a for a reentry record, and R2b for all other record types)	Date value
(Target Date)	The target date of the record (R4 for a discharge record, A4a for a reentry record, and A3a for all other record types).	Date Value
(Record Status)	Indicates whether the record was accepted successfully and stored in the MDS database or rejected.	"Accepted" or "Rejected"
(Res_Int_ID)	A unique identification number for this resident.	Integer

Table 1-1. Report Field Descriptions and Values

Report Field	Description	Values
AA8a=xx, AA8b=x	Actual value submitted for fields AA8a and AA8b.	AA8a=00, 01, 02, 03, 04, 05, 06, 07, 08, 09, 10 AA8b=Blank, 1-8
AT2	Actual value submitted for AT2	Blank, 1, 2
Attestation Date AT6	The AT6 date of the record.	Date value
Field or MDS Item	The code for the field in error	Form location code
Invalid Data Submitted	Actual value submitted	(varies)
Message Number	The number used to identify the error that was encountered for the corresponding record. This number and the error message associated with it can be found in the error message tables of the MDS System Administration Manual and the list of errors following this table.	Negative integer
Message	Text information about the error that was encountered for the corresponding record.	Text

Table 1-1. Report Field Descriptions and Values

### **Messages and Descriptions**

The following errors are considered *fatal file* errors and will result in the rejection of the entire submission batch. If a submission file contains a fatal file error, MDS-Main.exe is never executed for the submission and the individual data records are not validated or stored in the database.

MESSAGE NUMBER	MESSAGE	MESSAGE DESCRIPTION
-1	Invalid FAC_ID: The State-assigned Facility ID code (FAC_ID) in the header record of the submission file does not match the FAC_ID that corresponds to the Login ID (User Name) used.	Cause:  * The wrong file was submitted.  * The State-assigned Facility ID Code (FAC_ID) in the header record of the submission file does not match the FAC_ID that corresponds to the Login ID (User Name) used.  Example:  * Parent company submitting for multiple facilities and forgot to change facility identifiers for each new facility.  Action:  * Verify that the correct file was submitted.  * Verify that the facility ID in the header record of the submission file and the Login ID correspond. If they do not correspond, check the facility encoding software.
-4	Header missing: The required header record is missing from the submission file.	Cause:  * The header record is missing from the submission file.  * The REC_ID is invalid for the header. Definition:  * Header record: The header record contains basic identifying information for the facility, as well as, contact persons and telephone numbers to use in the event that the file is in error. It is the first line of data in the submission file.  * REC_ID: Identifies the line in the file as a header record, data record, or trailer record. Header record is identified by "A0," upper case A followed by a zero in the first two bytes.  Action:  * Verify that the header record is in the submission file. Refer to the current data specifications for the correct submission file layout.  * Verify that the header REC_ID is "A0."  * Contact your software vendor for assistance.

Table 1-3. Fatal File Message

MESSAGE NUMBER	MESSAGE	MESSAGE DESCRIPTION
-5	Header incorrect length: The header record of the submission file is not the correct length.	Cause:  * The header record of the submission file is not the correct length.  * Transmission may have been interrupted (i.e. power surge, lightening strike)  Definition:  * Header record: The header record contains basic identifying information for the facility, as well as, contact persons and telephone numbers to use in the event that the file is in error. It is the first line of data in the submission file.  Action:  * Verify that the header record in the submission file is 1814 bytes in length. Refer to the current data specifications for the correct submission file layout.  * If you think the transmission was interrupted, attempt to resubmit file.  * Contact your software vendor for assistance.
-7	Data record incorrect length: The resident data record of the submission file is not the correct length.	Cause:  * The resident data record of the submission file is not the correct length.  * Transmission may have been interrupted. (i.e. power surge, lightening strike)  Definition:  * Data record: A data record contains information for a single MDS resident record, a single discharge transaction, a single reentry transaction (readmission after discharge), a single request to modify an MDS record, or a single request to inactivate an MDS record. There will be one or more data records in a submission file.  Action:  * Verify that each data record of the submission file is 1814 bytes in length. Refer to the current data specifications for the correct submission file layout.  * If you think the transmission was interrupted, attempt to resubmit file.  * Contact your software vendor for assistance.

Table 1-3. Fatal File Messages (cont'd)

MESSAGE NUMBER	MESSAGE	MESSAGE DESCRIPTION
-8	Data Records missing: No resident data records are found in the submission file.	<ul> <li>Cause:</li> <li>* There were no resident data records in the submission file.</li> <li>* This error will also occur if the REC_ID is invalid for the data record.</li> <li>Definition:</li> <li>* Data record: A data record contains information for a single MDS resident record, a single discharge transaction, a single reentry transaction (readmission after discharge), a single request to modify an MDS record, or a single request to inactivate an MDS record. There will be one or more data records in a submission file.</li> <li>* REC_ID: Identifies the line in the file as a header record, data record, or trailer record. Header record is identified by "A0," upper case A followed by a zero in the first two bytes.</li> <li>Action:</li> <li>* Verify that the submission file contains at least one resident data record.</li> <li>* Verify that the data record REC_ID is "B0," "M0," or "X0." Refer to the current data specifications for the correct submission file layout.</li> <li>* Contact your software vendor for assistance.</li> </ul>
-9	Trailer incorrect length: The trailer record of the submission file is not the correct length.	Cause:  * The trailer record of the submission file is not the correct length.  * Transmission may have been interrupted. (i.e. power surge, lightening strike)  Definition:  * Trailer record: The trailer record indicates the end of the submission file and includes a count of the total number of records in the file including the header and trailer records.  Action:  * Verify that the trailer record of the submission file is 1814 bytes in length. Refer to the current data specifications for the correct submission file layout.  * If you think the transmission was interrupted, attempt to resubmit file.  * Contact your software vendor for assistance.

Table 1-3. Fatal File Messages (cont'd)

MESSAGE NUMBER	MESSAGE	MESSAGE DESCRIPTION
-10	Trailer missing: The required trailer record is missing from the submission file.	Cause:  * The required trailer record is missing from the submission file.  * The REC_ID is invalid for the trailer record. Definition:  * Trailer record: The trailer record indicates the end of the submission file and includes a count of the total number of records in the file including the header and trailer records.  * REC_ID: Identifies the line in the file as a header record, data record, or trailer record. Trailer record is identified by "Z0," upper case Z followed by a zero in the first two bytes.  Action:  * Verify that the trailer record is in the submission file.  * Verify that the data record REC_ID is "Z0." Refer to the current data specifications for the correct submission file layout.  * Contact your software yender for assistance.
-11	Incorrect record count: The submission file contains MORE records than the trailer record indicates.	* Contact your software vendor for assistance.  Cause:  * The number of records in the submission file is more than the trailer record indicates.  Definition:  * Trailer record: The trailer record indicates the end of the submission file and includes a count of the total number of records in the file including the header and trailer records.  Action:  * Verify that the trailer record count equals the total number of the data records plus two (one for the header record and one for the trailer record)  * Contact your software vendor for assistance.
-12	Incorrect record count: The submission file contains FEWER records than the trailer record indicates.	Cause:  * The number of records in the submission file is less than the trailer record indicates.  Definition:  * Trailer record: The trailer record indicates the end of the submission file and includes a count of the total number of records in the file including the header and trailer records.  Action:  * Verify that the trailer record count equals the total number of the data records plus two (one for the header record and one for the trailer record)  * Contact your software vendor for assistance.

Table 1-3. Fatal File Messages (cont'd)

MESSAGE NUMBER	MESSAGE	MESSAGE DESCRIPTION
-18	Invalid Submission Type: The header record does not correctly indicate whether this is a test or production submission file.	Cause:  * The TEST_SW (test/production indicator) in the header record of the submission file was not a 0 (zero) or a 1. When invalid data is submitted in the TEST_SW field, the CMS MDS System at the State checks only the header record for errors and rejects the file.  Definition:  * TEST_SW: Item that designates the submission file as a test or production file. "0" (zero) indicates test, and "1" indicates production. Any other response is invalid data.  Action:  * Verify that the TEST_SW in the header record of the submission file is "1" or "0".  * Contact your software vendor for assistance.

Table 1-3. Fatal File Messages (cont'd)

MESSAGE NUMBER	MESSAGE	MESSAGE DESCRIPTION
-102	Extra data: The submission file contains extra data after the trailer record	Cause:     * The submission file contains extra data after the trailer record, which is to be the last record in the file.  Definition:     * Trailer record: The trailer record indicates the end of the submission file and includes a count of the total number of records in the file including the header and trailer records.  Action:     * Verify that there is no data following the % (percent sign) in the trailer record of the submission file.     * Contact your software vendor for assistance.
-103	Unable to accept file: An error has occurred while inserting a row in the MDS_upload table in the CMS MDS system. Contact your system coordinator immediately before resubmitting the file.	Cause:  * There is a problem at the CMS MDS system at the State. A database error occurred when updating the MDS_upload table.  Action:  * If this message is received, contact your State Coordinator immediately. Resubmit this file when directed by your State Coordinator.

Table 1-3. Fatal File Messages (cont'd)

The following errors are considered *fatal record* messages and will result in the rejection of individual records. Assessments that have fatal record errors are not stored in the database (for data integrity purposes).

MESSAGE NUMBER	MESSAGE	MESSAGE DESCRIPTION
-27	Date is missing/invalid: This required date (MDS Item Above) is either missing or contains an invalid date for the submitted record.	Cause:  * The identified date for the submitted record is either missing or invalid.  * If required on the record submitted, this message applies to the following date items:  *R2b (MDS Completion date)  *R4 (Discharge Date)  *A4a (Reentry Date)  Definition:  * Invalid for the purposes of this message means that the date must contain a valid month, day, and year. A month of 40 or a day of 32 is not valid.  Tip:  * The correct submission file format for all dates is "YYYYMMDD." The date submitted will display on the Final Validation Report the way it is in the submission file. If it is submitted in the file as "MMDDYYYY," it will be displayed this way on the Final Validation Report, indicating the reason for the message. This may mean your software vendor needs to be notified.  Action:  * Verify that the effective date is not blank.  * If the effective date is not blank, verify that the date entered in the record has a valid month, day, and year.  * Make appropriate corrections to the record and resubmit.
-28	Invalid AA8a/AA8b combination: This submitted record does not contain a valid reason for assessment combination.	Cause:  * This record does not contain a valid combination in items AA8a (primary reason for assessment) and AA8b (special care code).  Example:  * An example of an invalid combination is AA8a = 9, AA8b = 5  Action:  * Make appropriate corrections to the record and resubmit.  * Refer to the LTC RAI User's Manual for itemby-item instructions for the MDS  * Refer to the record type definition matrix in the current data specifications for valid combinations.

Table 1-4. Fatal Record Messages

MESSAGE NUMBER	MESSAGE	MESSAGE DESCRIPTION
-29	Invalid data value: The submitted data for this item(s) is/are not in the valid range of acceptable values.	Cause:  * This message can occur for any MDS item submitted with data not in the valid range of acceptable values.  * The submitted data for this item(s) is not in the valid range of acceptable values  * Face sheet items (Section AB and AC) follow the all or none rule.  * This error will occur if the SSN is all "0" or "9."  * The SSN must meet the following range:  1) If first character is numeric, the length must be 9 and all numeric.  2) If first character is alphabetic, the characters starting with the third position must be all numeric.  3) All dashes or spaces are accepted, but embedded dashes or spaces are not.  * This error will occur if an out of range value is submitted in the SUB_REQ field. Valid values are 1, 2, or 3.  Definition:  * "All or none rule" pertains to face sheet Sections AB and AC as follows:  • If AA8a = 01, all items AB1 through AC1y must be completed with valid values.  • If AA8a = 08, AB1 and AB2 must be completed. Items AB3 through AC1y are optional by facility option. If facility option is chosen, AB3-AC1y, they must be submitted according to one of three patterns: all items AB3-AC1y, none of the items AB3-AC1y, special pattern where all of AB5a-f are present with none of the other AB3 through AC1y.  • For rec type Y, YM, YO, Q, QO, R, and D where AA8a = 06, 07, AB5a-f can be submitted alone, if any fields other than AB5a-f are submitted, all items must be submitted; or none of the items AB1 through AC1y are submitted.  • For AA8a = 00, 05, 10, and AA8b = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8; AB5a-f can be submitted alone. If any fields other than AB5a-f are submitted alone. If any fields other than AB5a-f are submitted, all items must be submitted.  • For AA8a = 00, 05, 10, and AA8b = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8; AB5a-f can be submitted alone. If any fields other than AB5a-f are submitted, all items must be submitted.  • For AA8a = 00, 05, 10, and AA8b = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8; AB5a-f can be submitted alone. If any fields other than AB5a-f are submitted, all items must be submitted.  • For AA8a = 00, 05, 10,
-31	Incorrect format: The submitted data for this item is not in the correct format.	Cause:  * The submitted data is not in the correct format for the identified item(s).  Action:  * Make appropriate corrections to the record and resubmit.  * Refer to the LTC RAI User's Manual for item-by-item instructions for the MDS  * Refer to the current data specifications for this item to determine acceptable values.

Table 1-4. Fatal Record Messages (cont'd)

MESSAGE NUMBER	MESSAGE	MESSAGE DESCRIPTION
-40	Inconsistent dates: The dates identified are not consistent with each other.	Cause:  * The identified dates are inconsistent with each other.  * A4a (date of re-entry) must be later than AB1 (admission date). If AB1 is later than A4a, the record will be rejected.  * P_REC_DT (previous record date) must be later than AB1 (admission date). If AB1 is later than P_REC_DT, the record will be rejected.  * A3a (assessment reference date) must be later than or the same as A4a (date of reentry). If A3a is earlier than A4a, the record will be rejected.  * VB2 (RAP completion date) must be later than or the same as R2b (MDS completion date). If VB2 is earlier than R2b, the record will be rejected.  Definition:  * P_REC_DT (previous record date) occurs in significant correction assessments. P_REC_DT is the A3a (assessment reference date) of the record that is being corrected.  Tip:  * Check the Field identified and the Invalid Data on the Final Validation Report to determine the date items that are inconsistent.  * P_REC_DT is an item that may not be visible to the facility user. It may be an item that is filled in by the vendor software when the record is copied to an upload file.  Action:  * Contact your software vendor to determine how your software handles P_REC_DT.  * Make appropriate corrections to the record and resubmit.  * Refer to the LTC RAI User's Manual for item-byitem instructions for the MDS.  * Refer to the current data specifications for this item to determine acceptable values.

Table 1-4. Fatal Record Messages (cont'd)

MESSAGE NUMBER	MESSAGE	MESSAGE DESCRIPTION
-50	Inconsistent REC_TYPE/AA8a,AA8b: The submitted record type (REC_TYPE) is inconsistent with the submitted reason for assessment (AA8a, AA8b). Contact your software vendor.	Cause:  * The submitted REC_TYPE (record type) does not match the submitted data combination for AA8a (primary reason for assessment) and AA8b (special assessment code) or the data in AT2 (correction action requested).  Definition:  * REC_TYPE is based on the "Reasons for Assessment" items (AA8a and AA8b) and the correction "Correction Action Requested" item (AT2). There are 15 different data record types. This field indicates to the computer the fields that are required for the record submitted.  Tip:  * With most encoding software, the REC_TYPE is inserted in each data record by the software when a file is created.  Example:  * If AA8a = 01, REC_TYPE is "A".  * If AA8a = 05 and AA8b = 2, REC_TYPE is "QM".  * If AT2 = 2, REC_TYPE is "X".  Action:  * Correct using the MDS Correction policy.  * Contact your software vendor for assistance.  * Refer to the record type definition matrix in the data specifications.
-51	AB2 value is missing: The AB2 field is blank and should not be. The AB2 value must not be blank on admission records or discharge prior to completion of initial assessment record (AA8a = 01 or 08)	Cause:  * The AB2 value (admission from at entry) must not be blank on admission records (AA8a=01) or discharge prior to completion of initial assessment records (AA8a=08)  Action:  * Make appropriate corrections to the record and resubmit.  * Refer to the LTC RAI User's Manual for item-byitem instructions for the MDS  * Refer to the current data specifications for this item to determine acceptable values.

Table 1-4, Fatal Record Messages (cont'd)

MESSAGE NUMBER	MESSAGE	MESSAGE DESCRIPTION
-52	Inconsistent AB8a value: The submitted data in item AB8a is not consistent with the data in item AB8b.	Cause:  * IF AB8a (language) equal 3 (language-other), THEN AB8b (description of language) must specify the "other" language.  * IF AB8a (language) equals 0, 1, or 2, THEN AB8b (description of language) must be blank. Action:  * Make appropriate corrections to the record and resubmit.  * Refer to the LTC RAI User's Manual for item-by- item instructions for the MDS.  * Refer to the current data specifications for this item to determine acceptable values.
-53	Inconsistent AB10 value: The submitted data in item AB10a is not consistent with the data in items AB10b through AB10f.	Cause:  * IF AB10a (not applicable-No MR/DD) is checked, THEN all of AB10b through AB10f (MR/DD with organic condition) must be blank.  * IF AB10a is not check, THEN at least one of AB10b through AB10f must be checked.  * IF AB10a is a dash, THEN AB10b through AB10f must consist of at least one dash and the rest blank.  Tip:  ✓ A checked response will display as a "1" on the validation report.  ✓ A blank response (unchecked) will display as a "0" on the validation report.  Action:  * Make appropriate corrections to the record and resubmit.  * Refer to the LTC RAI User's Manual for item-byitem instructions for the MDS  * Refer to the current data specifications for this item to determine acceptable values.

Table 1-4. Fatal Record Messages (cont'd)

MESSAGE NUMBER	MESSAGE	MESSAGE DESCRIPTION
-54	Inconsistent B1 value: The submitted data in item B1 is not consistent with the data in items B2 through F3 and N2 through N5.	Cause:  * IF B1 (comatose) equals 1, THEN the following items must be blank:  * B2 through F3 (cognitive patterns, communications/hearing patterns, vision patterns, mood and behavior patterns, and psycho social well being)  * N2 through N5 (activity pursuit patterns)  * IF B1 equals 0 (zero) or a dash, THEN the following items must not be blank:  * B2 through F3  * N2 through N5  Tip:  * This is a skip pattern. If B1 equals 1, then skip to Section G. After completing N1, skip to Section O.  Action:  * Make appropriate corrections to the record and resubmit.  * Refer to the LTC RAI User's Manual for item-byitem instructions for the MDS.  * Refer to the current data specifications for this item to determine acceptable values.
-55	Inconsistent K6a value: The submitted data in item K6a is not consistent with the data in items K5a and/or K5b.	Cause:  * IF neither K5a (parenteral IV) nor K5b (feeding tube) is checked, THEN K6a (total calories (%) received in the last 7 days) must be blank.  * IF either K5a or K5b is checked, THEN K6a must not be blank.  Tip:  * This is a skip pattern. If neither K5a nor K5b is checked, then skip to Section L.  ☑ A checked response will display as a "1" on the validation report.  ☐ A blank response (unchecked) will display as a "0" on the validation report.  Action:  * Make appropriate corrections to the record and resubmit.  * Refer to the LTC RAI User's Manual for item-byitem instructions for the MDS  * Refer to the current data specifications for this item to determine acceptable values.

Table 1-4. Fatal Record Messages (cont'd)

MESSAGE NUMBER	MESSAGE	MESSAGE DESCRIPTION
-56	Inconsistent K6b value: The submitted data in item K6b is not consistent with the data in items K5a and/or K5b.	<ul> <li>Cause:</li> <li>* IF neither K5a (parenteral IV) nor K5b (feeding tube) is checked, THEN K6a (total calories (%) received in the last 7 days) must be blank.</li> <li>* IF either K5a or K5b is checked, THEN K6a must not be blank.</li> <li>Tip:</li> <li>* This is a skip pattern. If neither K5a nor K5b is checked, then skip to Section L.</li> <li>✓ A checked response will display as a "1" on the validation report.</li> <li>☐ A blank response (unchecked) will display as a "0" on the validation report.</li> <li>Action:</li> <li>* Make appropriate corrections to the record and resubmit.</li> <li>* Refer to the LTC RAI User's Manual for item-by-item instructions for the MDS</li> <li>* Refer to the current data specifications for this item to</li> </ul>
-57	Inconsistent M2 value: The submitted data in item M2a or M2b is not consistent with the data in items M1a through M1d.	Cause:  * IF M1a through M1d (stage 1 through stage 4 pressure ulcers) is (0) zero, THEN M2a (pressure ulcer) and M2b (stasis ulcer) must be 0 (zero).  * IF M2a (pressure ulcer) or M2b (stasis ulcer) equals 1, THEN M1a (# of stage 1 ulcers) must be greater than zero.  * IF M2a (pressure ulcer) or M2b (stasis ulcer) equals 2, THEN M1b (# of stage 2 ulcers) must be greater than zero.  * IF M2a (pressure ulcer) or M2b (stasis ulcer) equals 3, THEN M1c (# of stage 3 ulcers) must be greater than zero.  * IF M2a (pressure ulcer) or M2b (stasis ulcer) equals 3, THEN M1c (# of stage 3 ulcers) must be greater than zero.  * IF M2a (pressure ulcer) or M2b (stasis ulcer) equals 4, THEN M1d (# of stage 4 ulcers) must be greater than zero.  Action:  * Make appropriate corrections to the record and resubmit.  * Refer to the LTC RAI User's Manual for item-by-item instructions for the MDS  * Refer to the current data specifications for this item to determine acceptable values.
-58	Inconsistent T1 value: The submitted data in item T1b is not consistent with the data in item AA8b; or the data in item T1c or T1d is not consistent with the data in item T1b.	Cause:  * IF AA8b (special assessment code) equals 1 or 5 (5-day or readmission), THEN T1b (ordered therapies) must not be blank.  * IF T1b equals 0 (zero), THEN T1c and T1d must be blank.  * IF T1b equals 1, THEN T1c and T1d cannot be blank.  Action:  * Make appropriate corrections to the record and resubmit.  * Refer to the LTC RAI User's Manual for item-by-item instructions for the MDS  * Refer to the current data specifications for this item to determine acceptable values.

Table 1-4. Fatal Record Messages (cont'd)